

**COMMITTEE MINUTES for  
TRANS., INFRASTRUCT. & CAPITALS  
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

**Date:** February 26, 2002

**Place:** Supreme Court Chambers

**Convened:** 09:36 AM

**Recessed:**

**Reconvened:**

**Adjourned:** 11:20 AM

**Present:** Senators Jensen-CH, Soukup-RM, Connolly, McKibben  
Representatives Gipp-CH, Weidman-VC, Cohoon-RM, Fallon, Huseman, Kuhn, Rayhons, Rekow, Warnstadt

**Absent:**

**Excused:** Lamberti-VC

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jensen and roll was taken.

Chairman Jensen introduced Co-Chairman Gipp and Co-Chairman Gipp made opening remarks and presented the calendar made available by the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to illustrate where the meetings for the next month would take place.

Co-Chairman introduced Mary Beth Mellick, Legislative Research Analyst, who in turn presented Mark Wandro, D.O.T. Director. Director Wandro discussed the measures taken by his department to better utilize personnel, etc., in order to cut costs. He estimated that the D.O.T. has reduced approximately \$35 million from their budget for the year. Questions were taken from the floor.

Director Wandro then introduced Nancy Richardson who presented an overview of the D.O.T. budget for next year. There was considerable discussion with respect to the special purpose budget and additional comments from Director Wandro regarding the goals for the D.O.T.

Co-Chairman Gipp announced that the representatives from the D.O.T. would be present at Wednesday's meeting also so further questions could be answered at that time. Also on Wednesday, the committee would be looking at the Governor's recommendations with regard to the proposed budget.

Representative Weidman moved to adjourn.

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Senator John W. Jensen, Chairman

Linda Gesling, Committee Secretary